



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application No.: 10/691,005 Conf. No. 5679
Applicant: Horst BANSEMIR et al.
Filed: October 22, 2003
Art Unit: 3644
Examiner: Stephen A. Holzen
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

Applicants respond to the final Office Action dated November 17, 2004, as follows:

A listing of claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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In re application of: Horst BANSEMIR, et al.
Serial No.: 10/691,005
Filed: October 22, 2003
For: IMPACT-ABSORBING, LOAD-LIMITING CONNECTION DEVICE AND ROTARY WING AIRCRAFT HAVING SUCH A CONNECTION DEVICE

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Response to Final Office Action (9pages)** in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
 Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
 No fee for additional claims is required.
 A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY		
FOR:	REMAINING	HIGHEST	PRESENT	RATE	FEES	OR	RATE	FEES
	AFTER	PREVIOUSLY	PRESENT					
	AMENDMENT	PAID FOR	EXTRA					
TOTAL CLAIMS	* Minus 20	=	0	x \$ 9	\$	x \$ 18	\$	
INDEP. CLAIMS	* Minus 3	=	0	x \$ 44	\$	x \$ 88	\$	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$150	\$	+ \$300	\$	
				TOTAL: \$		OR	TOTAL: \$	

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 Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
 Other:

Check(s) in the amount of **\$0.00** is/are attached to cover:
 Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16
 Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
 Other:

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.


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